

## Alabama Department of Industrial Relations

News Release

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Unemployment Call Centers to Remain Open on Presidents' Day

MONTGOMERY—Alabama Department of Industrial Relations Director Tom Surtees reminded citizens today that Alabama's two Unemployment Compensation Call Centers will remain open on Presidents' Day, Monday, February 16. Presidents' Day is a state and nationally recognized holiday.

"I want all of Alabama's unemployed to know that the Department of Industrial Relations is here to make sure that they get all the benefits they are eligible for," said Surtees. "I know a lot of Alabamians are suffering due to the poor economy, and we hope to help them in any way we can."

Claimants can also file for Unemployment Compensation benefits online at www.dir.alabama.gov. The number to call to file for benefits is 1-866-234-5382.

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Members of the media needing more information can contact Public Information Officer *Tara Hutchison at (334) 242-8616.*